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Good evening Charger Families,

This is Melissa Baird, Principal of Inverness Middle School, with another edition of our *Weekly News Flash!* We had a great week meeting all our new Chargers who enrolled in brick-and-mortar for 2nd semester!

This week we are celebrating Literacy Week! On Monday, “Sharing is Caring!” Share your favorite book and be entered into a drawing for PBIS points and candy. Tuesday is “Get Tied Up in a Good Book!” Wear tie-dye. On Wednesday, watch our Schoolwide Tropicana Speech Competition. Thursday is “Be a Good Sport!” Wear your favorite team shirt. On Friday, we have “Book Review Videos.” Record yourself on your iPad reviewing your favorite book for the chance to win an iTunes gift card. We wish the best of luck to our Chargers who are participating in the Schoolwide Tropicana Speech Competition on Wednesday!

We are excited for our upcoming sports which include Track, Boys Basketball, and Girls Tennis! There will be a QR codes in the cafeteria for sign-ups and all interested students must have a completed [physical packet](#) on file in order to be cleared to participate. We are now accepting applications for NJHS for both our IMS brick-and-mortar students and our IMS Citrus Virtual students. Applications are available in the Front Office, Guidance, Student Services, Mr. Miller’s room (603), and the application is on our website. Completed applications are due to [Mr. Scott Miller](#) no later than January 28th.

It’s hard to believe, but we are already planning for next school year! This week our 8th grade students will be receiving information about their options and opportunities as they are preparing for high school. In homeroom and in their ELA class, students will view information from each of the high school special academies. Eighth grade parents, you will receive more information about academy options and the application process later this week. We are very excited for our 8th grade Chargers as they plan forward for their life after IMS!

Don’t forget that we have an SAC meeting on Monday night at 5:30pm via Zoom. Our agenda for the evening includes a SAC budget review, Healthy Schools presentation, Bylaws vote, Title 1 updates, mid-year data review, teacher updates, and a School Board update. You can find information about [SAC](#) on our school website or contact Rowena Balint at BalintR@citrussschools.org Also, parents, please help us by completing the [Free/Reduced Lunch Application](#). The completion of this form is a vital component to our Title 1 funding, and we appreciate your support.

Have a wonderful week and stay tuned for your next *Weekly News Flash* on Sunday, January 31st!

Thank you,
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